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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: George WEINERT

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For: PROCESS FOR REDUCING PROTEIN ALLERGENS IN LATEX PRODUCTS

<u>PETITION TO COMMISSIONER</u> <u>UNDER 37 CFR § 1.182 FOR</u> CORRECTING APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Petition seeking to correct the submission of items concerning a filing of this application under 35 U.S.C. 371.

On September 18, 2000 Applicant filed a transmittal letter concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. However, this filing inadvertently listed the wrong international application number. The transmittal filed September 18, 2000 incorrectly listed PCT/US99/05733. The correct international application number is PCT/US99/05773.

With the exception of the noted "371" Transmittal and the Information Disclosure Statement cover sheet, all other documentation including The International Application filed on September 18, 2000, properly pertained to the intended PCT/US99/05773 (a copy of the cover sheet is enclosed for reference). As can be seen from the attached copy of the cover

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sheet, international application number PCT/US99/05773 and the present U.S. filing have the same title, inventor, and written description. In addition, international application number PCT/US99/05773 designates the United States.

A corrected Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Concerning a Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371 is also attached hereto. Applicant respectfully requests entry of the attached corrected transmittal and acceptance of this application under 35 U.S.C. 371.

Finally, a corrected Declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) as well as the required petition fee of \$130.00 are attached hereto.

If any fees are due in entering and fully considering this filing, such as fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17, please charge the necessary fees to the deposit account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 02-4300; Order No. 033146.004. If an extension of time is necessary that is not accounted for in the papers filed with this Amendment, such an extension is requested. The extension fee also can be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-4300 Order No. 033146.004.

Respectfully submitted,

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